BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-223-C - ORDER NO. 2008-648

SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

IN RE:	Application Requesting an Extension of)	ORDER GRANTING ORS
	Local Phone Service for Residents of the)	EXTENSION TO
	Landrum and Campobello Communities to)	COMPLETE STUDY
	all the Spartanburg Exchange)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) for additional time to complete its investigation of the present Application regarding the request of an extension of local phone service for residents of the Landrum and Campobello communities to Spartanburg, South Carolina.

On May 12, 2008, the Commission established this proceeding for consideration of the application for extending the local calling area of Landrum and Campobello to include the Spartanburg exchange. By Order No. 2008-445, issued June 17, 2008, the Commission requested that the ORS investigate the feasibility of extending the local calling area of Landrum and Campobello to include Spartanburg and to report its findings to the Commission no later than sixty days from the date of Order No. 2008-445.

By letter filed August 18, 2008, ORS seeks an additional sixty days to complete its feasibility study. According to ORS, it has been unable to gather comprehensive cost

¹ The due date for ORS's report, sixty days from date of Order No. 2008-445, was August 16, 2008. However, since August 16, 2008 was a Saturday, the Commission considers the following Monday, August 18, 2008, as the previous due date.

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data from Windstream; therefore, the additional time is needed in order to collect this

data.

We have examined this matter, and find that granting ORS additional time to

complete its investigation is in the public interest and should be granted. Accordingly,

ORS has an additional sixty (60) days, until October 17, 2008 (calculated from the

previous due date of August 18, 2008), to investigate this Application. The ORS should

complete its investigation and make a recommendation concerning disposition of this

matter as soon as possible, but no later than October 17, 2008.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:

John E Howard, Vice Chairman

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